[MR. L. C. Hodgson.]

and special funds to the extent of the estimated expenditure of Rs. 1,100 were applied for. Funds to meet this expenditure are not available under 4 C. Ranges, the proper head, for the reason that the expenditure was unforeseen and consequently not provided for. A supplemental grant of Rs. 1,040 under 4. C. Ranges is necessary for meeting this expenditure. Since the work was urgent, it has already been taken in hand and completed. In the circumstances stated above, I request that the Council will be so good as to pass the expenditure. The amount required may be met from the savings under B. Salt, as in the case of the cost of the retort.

PRESIDENT: There is a motion in the name of Mr. Madhava Variar. Do you move it?

MR. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR: I do not move it.

The following motion was, therefore, deemed to have been withdrawn.

MR. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR:

To omit Rs. 4,040 for the construction of a new furnace to the pot-stills of the Nagercoil Distillery, etc.

The grant was then made.

Demand IX.—General Administration, Secretariat, etc.

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: Sir, I beg to move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 6,470 for payment of travelling allowances to the members of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly.

There is a provision of Rs. 8,000 in this year's budget. Out of this sum, Rs. 4,138 is required to pay off the arrear claims of the previous years. The balance left, *viz.*, Rs. 3,862, is insufficient to meet the travelling allowances of the members for the current year and other incidental expenses. As it is undesirable to put off payment of travelling allowance to the members, it is requested that a sum of Rs. 6,470 be sanctioned under this head. The sum that is asked for is absolutely necessary.

The grant was made.

Demand XIV.—Education.

MR. L. C. HODGSON: Sir, I rise to move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 20,000—Rs. 10,000 for the expenses of the University Committee to be constituted shortly, and Rs. 10,000 for opening Group I of the Intermediate course in the Women's College. I shall take the two items separately.

The University Committee.—It will not be necessary for me to say much on this subject, because you, Sir, have already announced the impending appointment of the University Committee, two members of which are to come from outside Travancore. A Committee to which expert gentlemen from outside Travancore are invited cannot be expected to do all its work for nothing. One of the items of expenditure

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